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## **RESPONSE**

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box: 1450

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Honorable Commissioner:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 6, 2003, Applicants hereby submit a Request for Continued Examination along with the appropriate fee. Applicants also respond as follows.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

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Sir:

Enclosed herewith is the response to the Advisory Action dated May 14, 2003.

## I. Small Entity Status

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is claimed.

## FEE CALCULATION, CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims remaining after amendmen		Highest number previously paid for		Present Extra			Additional Fee
Total Effective	1	minus	20	=	0	X	\$ 18.00 =	0.00
Claims	•							
Independent Claims	1	minus	. 3	=	0	X	\$ 86.00 =	\$0.00
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[X] Fee for Request for Continued Examination Pursuant

to 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Subtotal:

\$770.00

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Discount for "small entity" status, enter half (1/2) of the second subtotal and subtract.

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE

\$770.00

N/A

[X]	Please charge Deposit Account No	. 19-2814 in the amount of \$770.00.
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[ ]	No additional fee is required.	

This statement does NOT authorize charge of the issue fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.18 (deficiency only) now or hereafter relative to this Application and the resulting Official document under 37 C.F.R. §1.20, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 19-2814 for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 30 December 2003

Damon L. Boyd Reg. No. 44,552

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